

My name is Shauna Ulloa, I was born and raised in CT and have raised my family here. I have been very discouraged with where the state has been heading for some time, to the point that, I cannot, in good conscience, advise my kids to settle and raise their kids here. It's legislation like SB184 and HB5262 that highlight the problems in our state. I strongly oppose the changes proposed in these bills. There is no justifiable, logical, or honorable reason for these changes. The only obvious reason is to further open opportunities for fraud and corruption in our election process.

At a time in our country where trust in our election integrity and the Democrat party has never been lower, those in the party continue to act in a way that further exacerbates the concerns of the majority of citizens in this state and the country.

Heading into our third year of understanding and living with COVID-19 and continuing to use it as a political weapon and reason to implement changes that erode the security of our election process is a serious abuse of power and violation of our democracy.

In 2020 my husband and I both received unsolicited mail-in ballots for our use in the election. They went right into the trash. That was a huge waste of taxpayer dollars – sending those ballots to every person on the CT voter rolls when we know those rolls are filled with ineligible voters who have passed, moved away or registered in different locations was irresponsible and likely did more harm than good. For every one person that may have benefited from that mailing, there were likely 10's or 100's that were used to cheat and cancel out other valid votes.

In CT, I understand we have no security around these mail in ballots -no method to actually confirm who completed the ballot and that they were completed by the intended voter. With that being the case, how can you justify making changes that will significantly increase mail in votes, particularly given that the bills, as they stand, provide adequate accommodations for those that would most need to avail themselves of absentee voting?

Our state constitution is very clear that qualified voters of the state who are unable to appear at the polling place on the day of election will be afforded the ability to vote by mail because of "sickness", or physical disability or because the tenets of their religion forbid secular activity. This is sufficient to address the intended need.

There are many more people in this state that feel just as I do. Many decided not to testify today because they have no faith in our process or that the majority Democrat party will listen to them and actually vote for what is honest, good and the right thing for election integrity and our State. You all will just vote along party lines and against the will of your constituents, like me, my family and my friends.

But WE the people are getting tired of this – I have never testified in one of these hearings, but I'm going to start to get much more actively involved and I'm not alone. It is time for our CT politicians to look out for the interests of their constituents over their own person interests. You are not doing this for the people. If you vote Yes for these

bills today, you are voting for your own selfish reasons- to help you or your colleagues get re-elected. This has to stop. Have some moral fiber and vote **No** on these bills today.

Thank you for your time.